

Hillenbrand, Laura **798.4009 HILLENB**

**Seabiscuit: an American legend**

Seabiscuit was one of the most electrifying and popular attractions in sports history and the single biggest newsmaker in the world in 1938, receiving more coverage than FDR, Hitler, or Mussolini.

McCall Smith, Alexander **MCCALL Alex**

**The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency**

Precious Ramotswe investigates several local mysteries, including a search for a missing boy and the case of the clinic doctor with different personalities for different days of the week in Botswana.

Ross, Ann B. **ROSS Ann**

**Miss Julia Speaks her Mind**

Recently widowed and newly wealthy, Miss Julia gets a visit from a long lost relative.

Bryson, Bill **917.4044 BRYSON**

**A Walk in the Woods: rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail**

Bryson shares his breath-taking adventures and the fascinating history of the 2,100-mile Appalachian Trail, as he travels slowly on foot.

Alcott, Louisa May **ALCOTT Louisa**

**Little Women**

Chronicles the joys and sorrows fo the four March sisters as they grow into young ladies in nineteenth-century New England.

Burns, Olive

**Cold Sassy Tree** **BURNS Olive**

Set in the fictional town of Cold Sassy in 1906, it follows the life of a 14-year-old boy named Will Tweedy, and explores themes such as religion, death, and social taboos.

**J 398.2 BARLOW**

**East of the Sun, West of the Moon**

A girl travels east of the sun and west of the moon to free her beloved prince from a magic spell.

Martel, Yann **MARTEL Yann**

**Life of Pi**

Zookeeper's son Pi sets sail for America, but when the ship sinks, he escapes on a life boat and is lost at sea with a dwindling number on animals until only he and a hungry Bengal tiger remain.

Letts, Billie **LETTS Billie**

**Where the Heart is**

A pregnant girl abandoned by her boyfriend hides in a Wal-Mart store, gives birth and becomes a celebrity as the mother of the Wal-Mart baby.

DiCamillo, Kate **J DICAMIL Kate**

**The Tale of Despereaux: being the story of a mouse, a princess, some soup, and a spool of thread.**

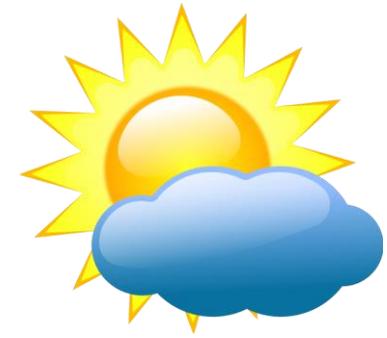
The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents and the princess that he loves.

Johnson, Maureen **YA JOHNSON Maureen**

**The Last Little Blue Envelope**

Seventeen-year-old Ginny Blackstone precipitously travels from her home in New Jersey to London when she receives a message from an unknown man telling her he has the letters that were stolen just before she completed a series of mysterious tasks assigned by her now dead aunt, an artist.

# Cheery Books for Dreary Days



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## Titles to lift your spirits

Burnett, Francis Hodgson

### **The Secret Garden** J BURNETT

A ten-year old orphan comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors where she discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden.

Canfield, Jack 158.128 CANFIEL

### **Chicken Soup for the Soul**

Teenage soul, pet owners, children, lots of special editions.

Capote, Truman CAPOTE Truman

### **A Christmas Memory**

You don't know him until you've read this special story.

Dallas, Sandra DALLAS Sandra

### **The Persian Pickle Club**

Kansas ladies in the 1930s dustbowl stick together and almost hang!

Delany, Sarah & Elizabeth B DELANY

### **Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years**

Good reminiscences, advice, wisdom and anecdotes.

Edgerton, Clyde EDGERTO Clyde

### **Walking Across Egypt**

A lady in her 70s nurtures the world.

Fforde, Jasper FFORDE Jasper

### **The Big Over Easy**

Full of nursery rhyme references, puns and literary that it's hard not to laugh out loud while reading this fantastical send-up of a police procedural.

Gallico, Paul

E GALLICO Paul

### **The Snow Goose**

A moment in the sun, tenderly told.

Gibbons, Kaye

FOSTER Kaye

### **Ellen Foster**

A little southern girl finds a home.

Gilbreth, Frank

B GILBRET FRANK

### **Cheaper by the Dozen**

No growing pains have ever been more hilarious than those suffered loudly by the dozen, riotous red-haired, freckle-faced Gilbreth clan.

Kaye, M.M.

### **The Ordinary Princess** J KAYE M.M.

A fairy tale for kids and adults.

Kinsella, Sophie

KINSELL Sophie

### **Can You Keep a Secret?**

After the worst day of her life, Emma Corrigan spills her darkest secrets to a stranger on an airplane.

Kotzwinkle, William

KOTZWIN William

### **The Bear Went Over the Mountain**

A bear finds a manuscript under a tree and becomes a celebrity author in this satire of the publishing industry.

Levertov, Denise

811.54 LEVERTO

### **Evening Train**

Great northwest poetry. It means more with each reading.

Lindbergh, Anne

170.82 LINDBER

### **Gift From the Sea**

Timeless life lessons and reflections.

MacDonald, Betty

979.7 MACDONA

### **The Egg and I**

Life on a chicken ranch near Port Townsend.

MacPherson, Malcolm 599.674 MACPHER

### **The Cowboy and his Elephant : the story of a remarkable friendship**

A former Marlboro Man adopts an elephant named Amy.

McManus, Patrick

796.5 MCMANUS

### **The Good Samaritan Strikes Again**

Now that he's older, he's better. Less fishing and more real life.

Mapson, Jo-Ann

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### **Hank and Chloe**

Delightful, horsey, real life romance.

Oke, Janette

OKE Janette

### **The Bluebird and the Sparrow**

A young woman finally learns to love herself.

Richardson, Arleta

J RICHARD Arleta

### **In Grandma's Attic** (series)

A young girl delights in her grandmother's stories of mischief, discovery, and laughter, such as the time she accidentally lost the family buggy.

Saint-Exupery, Antoine

J SAINT-EXUPERY

### **EXUPERY**

### **The Little Prince**

With a timeless charm it tells the story of a little boy who leaves the safety of his own tiny planet to travel the universe, learning the vagaries of adult behavior through a series of extraordinary encounters.